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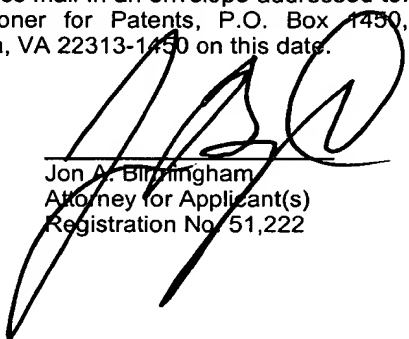
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**COMBINED RESPONSE TO
NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANCE AND AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notification of Non-Compliance mailed February 28, 2005, the application respectfully submits the Amendment filed in connection with the above-captioned application:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.